

CLAIMS: SETTLEMENT OF CASES OF BRIG "JOSEPHINE" AND SCHOONER "RANGER"

Convention signed at Quito June 15, 1849

Ratified by Ecuador June 20, 1849

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The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the United States and Marcos Espinel Plenipotentiary of Ecuador being duly authorized to enter into a convention for the payment of the debt which pertains to Ecuador in the indemnification claimed by the owners of the Brig Josephine and of the Schooner Ranger, after exchanging their full powers, have agreed to the following articles.

ARTICLE 1st The Government of Ecuador obligates itself to pay to the order of the Charge d'Affaires of the United States, or to the order of any person or persons duly empowered by the Government of the United States, the sum of five thousand nine hundred and fifty five dollars $\frac{20}{100}$ Spanish, on account of all losses and damages which the owners of the Brig Josephine have claimed through the Legation of the United States, together with interest upon the said sum at the rate of six per cent per annum, to be calculated from the fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred and thirty until paid.

ARTICLE 2^d The Government of Ecuador also agrees to pay to the order of the Chargé d'Affaires of the United States, or to the order of any person or persons duly empowered by the Government of the United States, the sum of one thousand and ninety nine dollars $\frac{42}{100}$ Spanish, on account of the Schooner Ranger and part of her cargo which were confiscated in contravention of the treaty ¹ between the United States and Colombia,² together with interest upon the said sum at the rate of six per cent per annum, to be calculated from the second day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty five until paid.

¹ TS 52, *ante*, vol. 6, p. 855, COLOMBIA.

² The state of "Greater Colombia," which gained independence from Spain in 1819, included the present states of Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, and Venezuela. In 1830-31 it split up into Ecuador, Venezuela, and the republic of New Granada, and by 1863 New Granada had become the United States of Colombia.

ARTICLE 3^d It is agreed by the contracting parties that the above-named sums, to be paid respectively on account of the Brig Josephine and of the Schooner Ranger, shall be paid in the following manner, Viz. the sum of two thousand dollars on the first day of July next, the same amount on the first day of October next, and the remainder in three equal annual instalments, to be counted from the twenty seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

In faith whereof the respective plenipotentiaries have signed the above articles in the English and Spanish languages, and have thereto affixed their seals at the city of Quito, this fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

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